

1 DELEGATE KOSS: Delegate Boyer, I am having
2 some problems understanding the extent to which this law
3 could apply. I understand that the birds, bees, the
4 flowers, and the air are not owned by any one of us. To
5 what extent could this law apply to private property and
6 at what point would this mandate take precedence over
7 economic considerations in terms of, say, conservation of
8 trees or fish or anything else like that?

9 DELEGATE BOYER: Delegate Koss, I think it would
10 be rash or brash of me to make a broad statement as to what
11 extent this effect or the conflict might arise. It appears
12 to me that you would almost have to look on a case-by-case
13 basis and determine what is going to be the best for the
14 most and what is going to be for the public good when it
15 comes to the area of conservation.

16 THE CHAIRMAN: Delegate Koss.

17 DELEGATE KOSS: Well, would this authorize, for
18 instance, the General Assembly to pay damages or reimburse-
19 ment to any individual who felt that his economic interests
20 were aggrieved by the operation of a conservation measure?

21 DELEGATE BOYER: I think Judge Adkins raised a